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By Mr. Frost of Auburn, petition of Paul K. Frost relative to the identification requirements of persons registering to vote. Election Laws.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO VIOLATIONS OF ELECTION LAWS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

- 1 Chapter 56 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding
- 2 after section 4 the following section:—
- 3 Section 4A. Any person registering to vote for the first time in
- 4 the Commonwealth shall provide verification of U.S. citizenship.
- 5 Such verification shall include one of the following: a birth cer-
- 6 tificate, passport or United States naturalization papers.
- 7 Any person who transfers, alters, or defaces any such card or
- 8 license or who makes, uses, carries, sells, or distributes a false
- 9 identification for the purposes of voting illegally shall be guilty of
- 10 a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not more than
- 11 five hundred dollars.